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THE UNITED ASBESTOS  
ORIENTAL AGENCY.

Sole Agents for the  
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LTD., LONDON,  
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1897.

五瓣禮 號四十二月九英港香

THIRTY DOLLARS  
PER ANNUM.

## Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital ..... £1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital ..... £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:

D. Gillies, Esq. .... Chan Kit Shan, Esq.  
F. Stoltefort, Esq. .... Chow Tung Sheng, Esq.  
J. T. Lauts, Esq. .... Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.  
Acting Chief Manager, GEO. MUNRO.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.  
On Current Account, Daily Balances 3 per  
Cent. per Annum.  
Hongkong, 11th August, 1897. [7]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... £10,000,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... £7,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS ..... £10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

St. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.—Chairman.  
Hon. J. J. BILL-IRVING, Deputy Chairman.  
C. Bessmann, Esq. .... A. L. Raymond, Esq.  
G. D. Boiling, Esq. .... R. L. Richardson, Esq.  
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CHIEF MANAGER:

Hongkong, T. JACKSON, Esq.  
MANAGER:

Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY  
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:  
On Current Account at the rate of 3 per Cent.  
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.  
For 6 months, 3¾ per Cent. per Annum.  
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1897. [3]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted  
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be  
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER  
CENT. per annum.

Deposits may transfer at their option  
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED  
DEPOSIT AT 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 1st August, 1897. [9]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS ..... £800,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... £175,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT  
ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent. per  
Annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.

T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
Manager, Hongkong,  
Hongkong, 2d June, 1897. [14]

## Intimations.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of  
the CRICKET CLUB, for the purpose of  
receiving the Committee's Report for the  
Past Season and electing the Committee and  
Officers for the coming season, will be held in  
the Cricket Pavilion on THURSDAY, the  
30th September, 1897, at 5 o'clock.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING.

IMMEDIATELY after the Annual General  
Meeting, an EXTRAORDINARY GEN-  
ERAL MEETING will be held for the purpose  
of taking into consideration a proposal that  
Rule 12 shall in the future read as follows:—

12.—The Annual Subscription for Members  
shall be \$10 payable in advance on the  
1st October in each year. Any Member  
absent from the Club for 12 consecutive  
months shall be exempted from one  
year's Subscription.

EDWARD A. RAM,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Hongkong, 2d September, 1897. [145]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
of MEMBERS of the above CLUB will be  
held in the CITY HALL on SATURDAY,  
at 2.30 P.M., the 28th October, 1897.

By Order of the Stewards,

J. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course,  
Hongkong, 18th September, 1897. [144]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF  
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-  
FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY  
MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held at its  
HEAD OFFICE, No. 4, the Plaza, Hongkong,  
WEDNESDAY, the 11th October, 1897, at  
10 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the report  
of the Directors and Statement of Accounts  
for the year ending 30th June, 1897, and  
of Declaring Dividends.

The DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready  
on the 1st October.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 27th to the 30th last,  
inclusive.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 9th September, 1897. [138]

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that, in addition to the  
powers exercised during the last Ten Years  
by ALFRED HERBERT RENNIE, of Hong-  
kong, as our Sole Agent and Attorney, he has  
the exclusive right of the Sale of our products in  
Hongkong, China, The Straits Settlements, Java,  
The Philippines, Korea and Siberia, and certain  
brands in Australasia; and that none of our pro-  
ducts can be purchased in America for shipment  
to Hongkong and the countries before mentioned  
unless through him.

THE PORTLAND FLOURING  
MILLS COMPANY,  
Portland, Oregon, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1897. [144]

## Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the  
CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the  
CONTRACT of LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby  
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders  
of the Company's Policies.

For full Particulars and Rates,  
Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, and Macau, 1896. [27]

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1284.

CAPITAL ..... £1,000,000  
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY ..... £2,480,552

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA ..... £ 75,475

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the  
above Company we are prepared to accept  
EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS  
at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, and January, 1897. [24]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF HAMBURG

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above  
Company are prepared to accept First  
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at  
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,  
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [28]

GENERAL NOTICE

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000  
EQUAL TO ..... £83,333-33-

RESERVE FUND ..... £318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LIE SING, Esq. .... LO YEUR MOON, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the  
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [16]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,  
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUUNG FAT,  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.  
Hongkong, 17th May, 1891. [30]

Intimations.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
of SHAREHOLDERS in the above  
COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S  
OFFICE, TO-MORROW, the 25th September,  
at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report  
of the General Managers, together with a State-  
ment of Accruals to 30th June, 1897.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 25th  
September, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [135]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above  
COMPANY will be held at the Head  
Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,  
the 2nd October proximo, at Twelve o'clock,  
NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report  
of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to  
30th April last, and of Declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 19th instant to the 2nd  
October, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. H. RAY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1897. [135]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-  
GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that

at a GENERAL MEETING held in  
London recently, an INTERIM DIVIDEND  
of 2 PER CENT. was Declared on the Company's

PREFERENCE SHARES for the Six Months  
ending 30th June, this being at the Rate of 6  
PER CENT. per Annum.

The DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready

on the 1st October.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 27th to the 30th last,  
inclusive.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1897. [135]

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that, in addition to the  
powers exercised during the last Ten Years

by ALFRED HERBERT RENNIE, of Hong-

kong, as our Sole Agent and Attorney, he has

the exclusive right of the Sale of our products in

Hongkong, China, The Straits Settlements, Java,

The Philippines, Korea and Siberia, and certain

brands in Australasia; and that none of our pro-

ducts can be purchased in America for shipment

to Hongkong and the countries before mentioned

unless through him.

THE PORTLAND FLOURING  
MILLS COMPANY.

Portland, Oregon, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1897. [144]

## Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(20)

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SALE REMARKS

JAPAN ..... Socorro ..... Paine, R.N.R. .... Daylight, 25th Sept. Freight only.  
(Passing through the Island Sea.)

STRAITS AND BOMBAY ..... Brindisi ..... C. H. Watkins, R.N.R. Noon, 25th Sept. Freight only.

LONDON ..... Japan ..... T. Leigh ..... About 25th Sept. Freight or Passage.

SYDNEY, &c. .... Candia ..... G. K. Wright, R.N.R. Early in Oct. Freight only.

SHANGHAI ..... Thamei ..... E. R. D. well, R.N.R. About 3rd Oct. Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c. .... Singapore ..... T.

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1897.

## To-day's Advertisements.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Undersigned at 3 o'clock P.M., on MONDAY, the 18th October.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 4th to the 18th October, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED, Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1468]

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

GOVERNMENT OF LABUAN.

TENDERS will be received by the SECRETARY to the GOVERNOR, SANDAKAN, on or before 15th November next, for the following Revenue Farm for 1898:-

OPIUM FARM.

SPIRIT LICENSE FARM.

PAWNBROKING FARM.

CUSTOMS FARM for NORTH BORNEO only.

GAMBLING RESTRICTION FARM for NORTH BORNEO.

For Particulars, apply to MESSRS. BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co., Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1471]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 1st October, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brothers are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1467]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship.

"CHELYDRA"

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon of the 27th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1469]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

S.S. "PREUSSEN."

— Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th September will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 4th October and THURSDAY, the 7th October, at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 8th October, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1468]

## To-day's Advertisements.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGAI.

THE Company's Steamship.

"PREUSSEN."

Captain R. Nierlich, will leave for the above place TO-MORROW, the 25th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1468]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"HOHENZOLLERN,"

Captain H. Bleeker, will leave for the above Ports

TO-MORROW, the 25th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1897. [1468]

## Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LTD.



BY APPOINTMENT.

WINES & SPIRITS.

WE beg to call attention to our PRICE LIST OF WINES AND SPIRITS as below:

As these are all selected and bought first hand by our London House we save any intermediate profits and are thereby enabled to supply the best qualities at Moderate Prices.

PORT.

(For Invalids and General Use.)

PER CASE. PER DOZ. PER BOT.

B VINTAGE, superior quality, Red Capsule.....	\$14.40	\$1.20
C FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule.....	16.20	1.35
D VERY OLD VINTAGE, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).....	20.40	1.70

SHERRY.

PER CASE. PER DOZ. PER BOT.

B SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.....	\$18.00	\$1.90
C STANIMILLIA, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, White Capsule.....	12.00	1.00
CC SUPERIOR OLD DRY, RED NATURAL SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule.....	12.00	1.00
D VARIOUS SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule.....	14.40	1.20
E EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, very fine quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).....	20.40	1.70

B, C, and E are excellent dinner Wines or for invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after-dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

OLABET.

PER CASE. PER DOZ. PER BOT.

B ST. ESTEPHE, Red Capsule.....	\$6.96	\$0.50
C ST. JULIEN, Red Capsule.....	9.00	0.75
D LA ROSE, Red Capsule.....	12.00	1.00
SAINTE FOY.....	7.20	0.70
CUSAC.....	9.00	0.70
CHATEAU D'ANGLADE.....	13.20	1.10
CHATEAU HAUT BRION LARIVET.....	18.60	1.50
CHATEAU MOUTON D'ARMAL.....	21.00	1.80
HACQ.....	18.60	1.50

GINER ALE.

Lemonade.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, sc.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & COMPANY, VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, sc.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & COMPANY'S WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Wines and Spirits.

Any complaint should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [1370]

NOW READY!

COMMERCIAL AND STATISTICAL PAPERS.

No. 1—APRIL, 1897.

Being reports of meetings of Companies and Corporations for periods ending 31st December, 1896.

This pamphlet is published for the convenience of the Commercial Community and for sale.

PRICE \$1 PER COPY.

at the office of the HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, No. 6, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1897. [1371]

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO., CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER SMITHS, and OPTICIANS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS. Sole Agents for Lewis Aspinwall's Watches, awarded the highest Prize at every Exhibition; and for Volpintester and Son's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE GLASSES and SPYGLASSES. New \$4 & 50, Queen's Road Central. [470]

LEVY HERMANOS.

DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWELLERS AND WATCHMAKERS.

Sole Agents in the East for the amalgamated CLEMENT, HUMBER and GLADIATOR Co., Ltd.

DUNLOP TYRE'S CYCLES—PRICE, \$18.

A special reliable Watch made for this Climate

Quality A.....

B.....

10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Opposite the Telegraph Office.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, &c., be addressed to the Manager, Hongkong Telegraph, and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and on individual members of the staff.

Communications from the public must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

With the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open to receive contributions on the following subjects, which affect public interests. It must be distinctly understood that the editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for publication as early as possible, not later than Three o'clock in the afternoon.

Advertisements and illustrations which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

Advertisers are requested to pay the postage of every advertisement, and to remit the cost of carriage to the Postmaster General for Advertisers. Terms can be learnt on application to the Manager.

The Hongkong Telegraph is the author of the Telegraphic Circulars.

4, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Hongkong.

AND AERATED WATERS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY

Hongkong, 11th August, 1897.

(See page 11)

INTRODUCTION.

BIRTH.

# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1897.

## NEWS BY THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China Co.'s steamer *Caledonia*, Capt. R. Carr, with the Calcutta mails, arrived in harbour this morning. We take the following items from our Calcutta exchanges:

### THE FRONTIER TROUBLE.

BOMBAY, September 26.

Major-General Elles commands the Mahratta field force; and Colonel Westmacott commands the First Brigade, and Colonel MacGregor the Second Brigade.

The Government has accepted the offer of Punjab Chiefs of the assistance of Imperial Service troops, and 4,000 of them will immediately proceed to the front. The Japu-Gwalior transports also are being utilised.

Reliable reports from Beluchistan show that the recent disturbances there have been exaggerated. Only one post has been raided.

CALCUTTA, September 7th.

The Amir, replying to the British Agent at Cabul, has expressed his strong disapproval of the conduct of the tribesmen in creating disturbances on the frontier. He has also withdrawn troops from outlying posts, in order to keep them under the proper supervision of their officers.

BOMBAY, September 7th.

The Amir has given a fresh undertaking to severely punish any subjects joining Hadda Mallah. A gathering of 50 men at Laughman, to join Hadda Mallah, has been dispersed by the Amir's orders.

The Baloch tribesmen who were beaten off by the levies holding the fort and finally dispersed by a despatch from Sada.

CALCUTTA, September 8th.

The Patiala Imperial Service troops are being got ready with commendable smartness for the front. One Infantry regiment left on Monday to join the Mahratta Expedition. Two other regiments of Infantry and Cavalry have received orders to hold themselves in readiness. Great enthusiasm prevailed at the departure of the troops. The Maharajah of Patiala volunteered to accompany the troops. It is not yet known whether his offer has been accepted.

BOMBAY, September 8th.

The Amir has been losing three weeks a month in Khyber Pass tolls, and has warned Hadda Mallah to desist.

An attack on the Goliyan Post, Samana Range, has been repulsed with a British loss of three sepoys. The enemy's loss was 15 killed and wounded.

The flying column was fired on at Thal. The cavalry charged, killing five, and losing one trooper.

Owing to the large mule transport required, the expedition to Tirah, an Afzil stronghold, cannot well start for a fortnight. It is hoped that the operations in the Mahratta country will be completed meanwhile.

September 9th.

The 1st and Brigades are proceeding to the Mahratta country. A determined resistance is expected.

The Maliks or tribal chiefs are alarmed at the preparations, and are offering a reward for any European brought in as a hostage.

The Afzils are reported to be moving towards Samana. All posts are being strongly held.

CALCUTTA, September 10th.

It is understood that the Amir has been informed that the expedition against the Mahrattas has been undertaken with the object of punishing the raiders and also those sections of the tribes which took part in the recent risings. There is no intention of the Government to occupy the country permanently. No proclamation to that effect has been issued; but the political officer will make known the intention of the Government as the troops advance.

### THE EXPEDITION CASE.

Mr. Justice Strachey and a special jury commenced the Tilak and Bal trial on the 8th. The Advocate-General and Mr. Macpherson prosecuted; Mr. Pugh, of Calcutta, and Mr. Davar defended. The prisoners pleaded not guilty. The Advocate-General read the passages complained of, and declared that the prisoners had made unfavourable comparison between the British rule and that of Shivali to excite disaffection in the minds of the people, and to justify attempts to overthrow British rule. He read translations from other articles, showing animosity on the part of the *Khartar* newspaper against the Government. Mr. Pugh objected that some of the extracts were only correspondence, and not editorial opinions. The Judge overruled the objection.

The Oriental translator put in the Government's case that he had no right to prosecute. Mr. Pugh objected that the document did not state the particular articles or date of their appearance, and consequently the arrests were illegal, and the proceeding should stop. The Judge, holding that the action fulfilled the requirements of the Code, overruled the objection, and the cross-examination of the chief witness commenced.

(Shivali), mentioned above was the founder of the Mahratta Empire, which fell before the British arms. He murdered an enemy named Afzil Khan, sansay by treachery.]

The greater part of this morning was occupied in putting in and reading exhibits for the defence in the Tilak trial. They consisted mainly of extracts from the *Khartar*, showing the lawful object of the Shivali movement; Lord Rose's support of it; reports of previous Shivali meetings; leading articles in the *Khartar* on the plague operations; advocating constitutional measures in raising objections; extracts from the *Times of India* showing that the murder of Afzil Khan by Shivali had been justified by Parsee and European correspondents; Tilak's letter to the *Times of India* asserting that he had co-operated in the work of the plague relief, and denying that his writings had been seditions; and a letter from the Private Secretary of the Governor, stating that His Excellency had read with interest Mr. Tilak's memorandum on the plague.

September 10th.

At the continuation of the trial of Tilak and Bal yesterday, the afternoon was occupied with the reading of further extracts to prove that the tone of the *Khartar* newspaper was really loyal. The Oriental translator was cross-examined to show that the official translations were too strong. He maintained that they were accurately done by the High Court translator.

The Oriental translator's examination having closed evidence proving the circulation of the *Khartar* on June 15th in Bombay and Tilak's proprietorship was given.

BOMBAY, September 11th.

On the Court assembling yesterday afternoon, V. Narayan, Mahratta, Shivali, was cross-examined to show that articles praising Shivali, inserted in a similar language to those in the *Khartar*, are given in Marathi books sold at the Governmental depots, used in Government schools, and written by native Government officials. Tilak made a statement, putting in Marathi, in the preceding passage, and alleged that the official translation was too strong. Bal denied responsibility for the policy of the *Khartar* and complained that Mr. Ganji, a writer of Calcutta, had not been allowed to defend him.

The trial was concluded on the 12th instant. Mr. Tilak was found guilty and sentenced to 18 months rigorous imprisonment.

## HIGHWAY ROBBERY IN KOWLOON.

Between seven and eight o'clock yesterday morning a Chinaman was stopped in Kowloon Road, about 100 yards from the boundary, by three highwaymen who stabbed him and robbed him of \$42.00. A report was made to the Police, who found the man in Chinese territory. He was lying on the ground, and had three dagger wounds on the left side of the abdomen. He was at once brought over to the Government Civil Hospital. It is believed that the wounds are not very serious and that the man will recover.

## A "P & O" DIAMOND JUBILEE.

SINGAPORE, September 14th.

The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, the oldest line of steamers connected with the Malay Peninsula, will, so far as Singapore concerned, celebrate its Diamond Jubilee by extensive additions and alterations to the Company's premises at Teluk Blangah. Although the steamer which it owned had been running to Spanish ports for a year or two previous to that date, the Peninsular Company was founded in the year of the accession of our benevolent Sovereign, the Queen-Empress. But it was not until 1840 that the Company was expanded into the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, when it was incorporated by Royal charter.

Practically, however, it was the same Company, though enlarged, and its foundation may fairly claim to date from the inauguration of its first mail service from Falmouth to Vigo, Oporto, Lisbon, Cadiz and Gibraltar, on August 22nd, 1837.

At that time the mails for Egypt were conveyed by the Peninsular Company to Gibraltar, thence by a small Government steamer to Malta, and thence to Alexandria by another Government vessel of equally limited tonnage and power.

The consequence was that the transmission of the mails from England to Egypt occupied from three weeks to a month;

and by the time the mails reached Bombay by the East India Company's steamers, which plied more or less irregularly between that port and Suez, nearly two months elapsed from the date of their leaving England.

An accelerated service between Gibraltar and Alexandria, which was attempted by Government steamers was failed to give satisfaction, and in the end public tenders were invited for a service to replace the small and inefficient Admiralty Packets.

As a result the Peninsular Company agreed to secure the contract.

The train of the mails through Egypt was initiated by the enterprise of Capt. Waghorn,

and from 1839 onwards much attention was

being given to the necessity of a regular and comprehensive steam service with India, but it

was not until the Peninsular Company took the matter in hand that this idea was actually carried into effect.

Anticipating that the enterprise would prove a necessity of the age and that it would be likely materially to assist their

Mediterranean service, the Company applied for and obtained their charter, dated December, 1840, under the style of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, on the condition, however, enough in the absence of any promised subsidy, that the Company should establish steam communication with India within two years from date.

The *Hindostan* was the first steamer despatched by the Company to India, and her departure for Calcutta on 24th September, 1841, marked an epoch in the annals of steam navigation, the enterprise thus undertaken being publicly treated as one of national importance.

Although it was clearly intended by the Directors of the P. & O. Company to establish a mail service with Bombay, they were thwarted in this by the Directors of the East India Company, who, jealous of any interference with this particular line of communication, insisted on retaining it in their own hands until 1844.

At the same time the lifting premiums awarded by the East India Co. for the voyages between Suez and Calcutta were quite inadequate to support a line of traffic which was then in its infancy, and a period of grave anxiety and suspense was the result of this state of things. Fortunately, however, this was put an end to by the decision of the Government, fortified by the opinion of the East India Co., to establish steam communication not only with Ceylon, Madras and Calcutta, but also from Ceylon eastward to Singapore and Hongkong, in the interests of the India and China trade.

Negotiations ensued which resulted in a mail contract being entered into with the P. & O. Company in 1844, and the Indian part of the service was commenced on January 1st, 1845. The extension of the line to China was accomplished during the same year, the s.s. *Lady Mary Wood* reaching Singapore on August 4th.

The difficulties of the P. & O. Company were

thus, as far overcome, and it was now firmly

established on the long line of communication from Southampton to Calcutta, and from Ceylon to Hongkong. The mail service from its com-

mencement has remained without interruption to the hands of the P. & O. Company the monopoly remaining unbroken until the *Message des Impériaux*, the precursor of the *Messages Maritimes*, appeared on the scene in 1863, or thereabouts, tardily followed by the Nord-deutschler Lloyd in 1866. In 1862 full fortnightly

communication was established with India and China, and a line was opened between Singapore and Sydney in connection with the China line, a steamer starting only once every two months.

The character of Egyptian transit was

changed in 1859 by the construction of a rail-

way across the Isthmus of Suez, and in 1867 the opening of the Suez Canal revolutionised the maritime commerce of the East, and involved the Company in a tedious dispute with the Port Office, who were bitterly opposed to the Canal.

Notwithstanding the many arguments advo-

cated against the success of the Canal by Englishmen, special engineers, and officials of all classes,

the flood of tonnage which began to pour through it resulted in a serum loss of revenue to the P. & O. Co., and inevitable rules seemed to stare them in the face.

The *Message des Impériaux* was

concerned in the same predicament, but the French Company had no difficulty in obtaining the consent of their Government to adopt this route, and did so at once.

The British Government, however, refused to allow the P. & O. Company to do so unless they agreed to finance 50,000 of the amount of their subsidy.

The Directors naturally declined, and they

proceeded to fight the question by sending their steamers through the Canal, after landing the mails at Alexandria, and picking up the identical mails at Suez, a proceeding which the Post Office was powerless to prevent, but which was regarded with the utmost disfavour in official circles.

This state of tension continued for two years, when, at last, an arrangement was

made to settle the dispute, to the effect that

the P. & O. Company were to be paid a sum

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